Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 27 Apr 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 28 Apr 2024

Forecast Issued on Saturday 27 Apr 2024 at 02:50 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a cold and showery day on Saturday. Low for extent of any snow across the more eastern Cairngorms on Sunday. High for a change to a much warmer southeasterly airstream next week.

Headline for Saturday 27 Apr 2024: Cold and often cloudy with snow and hail showers

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 27 Apr 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light snow	Hail showers	Heavy snow showers	Light snow	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
20%	30%	40%	40%	30%	20%

Forecast for Saturday 27 Apr 2024

Weather: A bright start but cloud soon bubbling up from mid- morning with a few snow showers developing. The afternoon will be rather cloudy with snow and hail showers, although these becoming increasingly confined to Monadhliath, Creag Meagaidh and Ben Alder by later afternoon. Drier and somewhat brighter weather developing east of the A9.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 50%, best chance first thing, and across the Cairngorms from mid afternoon

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with great air clarity outside of showers. Otherwise areas of cloud down to 800 to 1000 metres, the lowest bases becoming confined to ranges west of the A9 through the afternoon.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	10/13 S	11/14 S	14/19 S	17/23 S	16/22 S	11/15 SE	11/15 SE
900	11/14 S	10/13 S	13/18 S	14/19 S	14/19 S	10/14 SE	11/15 SE
600	4/6 S	6/9 SE	9/14 SW	11/17 S	7/12 SE	5/7 S	6/9 SE
300	2/5 W	3/7 W	7/13 S	7/14 SW	5/8 E	3/6 NE	3/6 E
Glen	5/13 SW	4/10 S	6/13 S	6/14 SW	5/10 SE	3/6 S	2/5 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-4/-10	-4/-9	-2/-8	-1/-7	-2/-8	-4/-10	-5/-11
900	-0/-5	0/-4	2/-3	2/-3	2/-3	-0/-5	-1/-6
600	2/-0	3/1	4/1	4/1	4/1	2/-0	1/-2
300	2/1	6/4	8/6	8/6	6/5	4/2	2/-0
Glen	3/-0	7/5	8/6	9/7	7/6	4/3	2/-0
Freezing Level*	600m	700m	800m	800m	800m	700m	600m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Note sub-zero temperatures at height

Forecast for Sunday 28 Apr 2024
Weather: Mainly dry at first with just an isolated wintry shower. Clouding over through the morning with more persistent rain, or snow above 700m.

Maximum wind: Northerly 20-25 mph, gusting 30-35mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% falling to 30%

Low cloud and visibility: Good visibility with good air clarity at first. Area of cloud between 400 and 500 metres across the eastern Cairngorms from mid-morning onwards

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to 7 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 1 rising to plus 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 800 metres

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